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### Education

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<b>University of Washington, Seattle, WA</b>	<b>Present</b>
Ph.D. in Biological Anthropology	
<b>University of Washington, Seattle, WA</b>	<b>2025</b>
M.A. in Biological Anthropology	
<b>New York University, New York, NY</b>	<b>2023</b>
M.S. in Human Skeletal Biology	
<b>THESIS: RADIUS SHAPE AND LOCOMOTOR SPECIALIZATIONS IN PRIMATES</b>	
<b>University of California, Riverside, CA</b>	<b>2021</b>
B.A. in Anthropology	

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### Publications

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Williams, S.A., Wang, X., **Araiza, I. F.X.**, Guerra, J.S., Meyer, M.R., & Spear, J.K. (2026). Earliest evidence of hominin bipedalism in *Sahelanthropus tchadensis*. *Science Advances*, 12(1), 1–13. <https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.adv0130>

**Araiza, I. F.X.** (2025). Elliptical fourier analysis of hominoid radius shape: Implications for *Ardipithecus ramidus*. *Biology Open*, 14(5), 1–11. <https://doi.org/10.1242/bio.061938>

Meyer, M.R., Jung, J.P., Spear, J.K., **Araiza, I. F.X.**, Galway-Witham, J., & Williams, S. A. (2023). Knuckle-walking in *Sahelanthropus*? Locomotor inferences from the ulnae of fossil hominins and other hominoids. *Journal of Human Evolution*, 179, 1–23. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhevol.2023.103355>

**Araiza, I. F.X.**, Meyer, M.R., & Williams, S.A. (2021). Is ulna curvature in the STW 573 ('Little Foot') *Australopithecus* natural or pathological? *Journal of Human Evolution*, 151, 1–5. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhevol.2020.102927>

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### In Review/Preparation

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**Araiza I. F.X.**, Prang T.C. The third proximal phalanx of *Ardipithecus ramidus* signals a *Pan*-like locomotor repertoire. To be submitted to Open Biology Fall 2026.

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### Honors & Grants

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Newell-Morris Endowment Fund ( <b>\$22,483</b> )	2026
Olson Fellowship ( <b>\$27,000</b> )	2024 – 2026
Baldwin Memorial Scholarship ( <b>\$1,000</b> )	2024
Pathways to PhD ( <b>\$3,000</b> )	2022 – 2023
Antonina S. Ranieri International Fund Scholars Grant ( <b>\$1,835</b> )	2022
Society for American Archaeology National Science Foundation Grant ( <b>\$6,000</b> )	2022
Dean’s Master’s Scholarship ( <b>~\$90,000</b> )	2021 - 2023
Henry and Willie Lee Moses Anthropology Award ( <b>\$1,500</b> )	2021
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship ( <b>\$1,200 quarterly</b> )	2019 – 2021
STEM Summer Internship at the LA Natural History Museum ( <b>\$2,400</b> )	2019
Power of Hope Scholarship	2019
Mary G. and Rawley J. Miller Anthropology Scholarship ( <b>\$500</b> )	2018
STEM Summer Internship at the Raymond Alf Museum ( <b>\$2,400</b> )	2018

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### Conference Abstracts & Presentations

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**Araiza I. F.X.**, Prang T.C. (2026). The third proximal phalanx of *Ardipithecus ramidus* signals a *Pan*-like locomotor repertoire. Accepted as poster to American Association of Biological Anthropology.

**Araiza I. FX.**, Meyer M., Williams S.A. (2024). Inferences on the *Ardipithecus* radius. *American Journal of Physical Anthropologists*. 188:6 (Podium Presentation).

Meyer M.R., Jung J.P., **Araiza I. F.X.**, Williams S.A. (2023) Separating Signal from Noise in *Sahelanthropus*. 180:118 (Podium Presentation).

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### Teaching Experience

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<b>Teaching Assistant, University of Washington</b> <i>Principles of Biological Anthropology</i>	2025 - present
<b>Teaching Assistant, University of Washington</b> <i>Human and Comparative Osteology</i>	2025 - present
<b>Teaching Assistant, University of Washington</b> <i>Human Biological Diversity: Sports, Movement, and Activity</i>	2024 - present
<b>Course Assistant, New York University</b> <i>Introduction to Forensic Anthropology</i>	2022

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### Mentoring Experience

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Graduate School of Arts and Science Mentorship Program Mentor	2022-2024
University of California, Riverside Campus Collective Mentor	2021-2022

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### Research Experience

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Sima de las Palomas Fieldwork Program	2022
STEM Summer Internship at the LA Natural History Museum	2019
Mentoring Summer Research Internship Program aka MSRIP	2019
STEM Summer Internship at the Raymond Alf Museum	2018

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### Memberships

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American Association of Biological Anthropology	2021 – Present
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## References

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